

NEWS FROM THE HAWAII STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION AND THE HONOLULU COIN CLUB

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Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



A big smile from Carol at the registration booth, Honolulu Coin Club show.



CRIME PREVENTION

BEWARE OF THE CHRISTMAS SEASON!
BY GREGORY HUNT

To the average citizen the Christmas Season brings out in most of us the sense of giving or generosity. It's the time for us to be carefree and jolly. But did you know that the rate of crime starts to excavate to apex during this same time. The Honolulu Police Department Research & Development statistics show that we are all most vunerable from the day after Thanksgiving to the day after New Year!

We of the HPD are acutely aware of this so we always try to alert the public. I will attempt to imput some of the more common sense practices to follow, especially while shopping and during transit.

- Leave car windows up and doors locked at all times. Before walking to the car, have keys in hand, ready for quick entry as well as possible defense against attack. (The keys can be used as an effective weapon)
- 2. While shopping, leave valuables out of plain view. Always put in trunk.
- 3. Don't carry large amounts of money.

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VESTPOCKET DEALER

A MAN ON THE GO! BY FRANCIS LOO

The term "vestpocket dealer" describes a person who does not have a store/office, but who engages in the buying and selling of coins. Generally, there are two kinds of "vestpocked dealers." One kind is a collector who has decided to sell some surplus coins so that other coins can be brought. The other kind buys coins with the intention of reselling at a higher price for a profit. The "collector vestpocked dealer" usually knows the numismatic background of the coins which he buys/sells. The "profit-minded vestpocket dealer" prefers to concentrate on price performance and potential gain. Both kinds of vestpocket dealers can serve as good sources for coins. Of course, if you are a collector, the "collector dealer" could probably help you more. If you are an investor, the "profit dealer" will probably have more "investment" type material for you. As a collector I feel that I am often mislabeled as a "vestpocket dealer". I started collecting in 1952 and I firmly believe that coin collecting/numismatics should be a hobby, a source of relaxation, enjoyment, education and good fellowship. Having experienced and observed many bad "investment" purchases, I would rather not have anyone go through such disappointment. Instead, I feel that an increase in knowledge and friendship should be more important than an increase in monetary values. However, many of my friends, who are knowledgeable collectors have enjoyed considerable increases in the value of their collection. On the other hand, people who I have seen make bad investment purchases, are usually not seen again. Therefore, it would seem that collectors who are willing to spend time and effort to seek and learn, will usually do as well or better than investors who prefer to only spend money (and usually learn the hard way) I collect selected series of regular issue U.S. coins ranging from half cents to double eagles, particularly large cents before 1844 and bust halves 1807-1828. I am also interested in the varieties of 1847 Hawaiian pennies and in better coins dated1950/earlier from countries which border on or are within the Pacific Ocean. Although I've given many talks about grading and displaying at local coin clubs, I would like to see more "full time" dealers give educational talks.



Browsing Around The Shops

For collectors of Hawaiian coins, stamps, tokens, and other assorted items, the Medcalf name has been well known throughout the islands since the early 1960's. Don Medcalf, President of Hawaiian Islands Stamp and Coin in downtown Honolulu, continues this tradition. When he was but a boy of 8 or 9, he helped out with coin shop-related chores at his father's (Gordon Medcalf) shops.

After this 11-year apprenticeship, Don was well-prepared to begin serving the collector from his own store. First located in Hawaii-Kai, Don's business grew by leaps and bounds until he was forced by lack of space to move. The downtown location has proven to be a perfect spot from which to conduct a rare coin and stamp business. It is convenient to all parts of the island. Its nearness to the archives of Hawaii (in the Iolani Palace Grounds) allow Don the necessary access to research material.

And, by combining years of research material, Don has provided the Hawaiiana collecting public with the standard book on Hawaiian coins, tokens, paper money, and medals. Published in 1978, this major work has been sold far and wide. Don has been able to provide the local collector and investor with knowledge that only years of on-the-job experience can achieve.

The staff of Hawaiian Islands Stamp and Coin has expanded to six now. And Don hopes to be able to continue to offer fair value and quality coins and stamps for many years to come. Please feel free to stop in at the shop. Come for a visit. Have your collection appraised (for free). If you have interesting items for sale (particularly Hawaii-related material), Don will be happy to discuss these with you.

PARDON DA ERROR!

OOP! We goofed in the last issue of the Nu Hou Dala Paa. (August 12, 1981 issue) The front page on the HSNA Medal article the date of the opening of Lahaina-luna High School was September 5, 1831, instead of 1931. Page 2 story on Mr. Martin, as a dealer he started in 1965 in instead of 1974. We are sorry about the error.

THE WAIALUA AGRICULTURAL COMPANY AND TOKENS

BY GARY LAU

An up-to-date dairy was contructed in 1924 for the employees and their families of the Waialua Agricultural Company. Delivery of milk started on January 20, 1925 and milk was sold at a cost of 15c a quart. The dairy proved to be a great asset to the company. The amount of milk delivered was about 235 to 295 quarts a day. The company maintained a modern sanitary dairy for the benefit of its employees. Good milk was supplied a reasonable prices because the dairy was not operated for profit, but for the people. In 1931, the dairy started delivering milk to the 3 schools in the district. During 1932 the price of milk was lowered by 2¢ per quart due to a reduction in compensation. By then the milk was being sold through the plantation store.

The Waialua Dairy used aluminun tokens. These tokens came in 3 different shapes. The shapes were round, square and octagon. The obverse of the token read Waialua Agr., Co. Dairy. The reverse of the round token read good for ½pint milk, the square token read good for 1 pint and the octagon token read good for one quart. They all had a hole punched in them. I have not been able to attain any further information about the dairy or its operation after 1932.

CRIME PREVENTION

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- 4. Park in well light areas. Walk with caution and be aware of surroundings, If you think someone is following you, don't panic, head to a crowded area, notify authorities and police.
- 5. Think about appearances. Don't wear funky jewelery or clothing since they draw unwanted attention. Conspicuous, seductive dress can cause a negative reaction. Make sure you cover up, wear things that are comfortable and loose fitting. Wear low shoes in case you have to run from danger
- 6. Walk with someone, you are much safer.
- Stay near other people, walking in lonely areas will only invite attack.
- 8. Avoid short cuts such as alleys or dark entry ways etc.
- 9. Make sure your travel plans are known to your love ones. Have Car in good repair. If you have trouble raise hood or put a white handkerchief on antenna, lock car doors & windows, ask helpers to call police. Don't get or of your car!
- 10. Don't hitchhike! Don't ask rides from strangers!

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WOODEN TOKENS ISSUED BY HAWAII COIN CLUBS

BY KAZUMA OYAMA

Starting in 1979; the Honolulu Coin Club has issued three wooden tokens depicting the Hawaiian monarchy on one side and a historical event on the opposite side. Besides being in charge of the sales of the woods our treasurer, Charles Matsuda, selected the events and provided the art works for the tokens. His "photo-ready" copy that is sent to the wooden token maker saves the club \$15.00 in fees for each issue of wooden tokens.

Although the Honolulu Coin Club is the oldest coin club in Hawaii it did not issue its first wooden token until 1977. The club was organized in 1955. Our "Parent" organization, the Hawaii State Numismatic Association issued its first wood in 1967, in conjunction with its 4th annual coin show held at the Reef Hotel in Waikiki. An annual wood was issued until 1970, then after a lapse of three years another wood was issued in 1974. Again there was a lapse of three years before woods were resumed in 1978, with Queen Kapiolani Hotel shown as the site of the HSNA annual coin shows. Anyone remember where the 1974 show was held? Also, where were the shows held in those years when no wooden tokens were issued? I remember attending shows at the Ala Moana Hotel and Hilton Hawaiian Village. Where else?

The Big Island Coin Club in Hilo issued woods in 1969, 1974 and 1979. I have Maui Coin Club woods dated 1970, 1971 and 1972; 1976, and 1977; and 1979, '80 and '81. The Area Coin Club (Hickam AFB) woods in my collection are dated 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975 and 1976. Their U.S. Bicentennial overprints are the 1st that I have. Were there other issues for these clubs?

The Area Coin Club and the Honolulu Coin Club are the only active clubs on Oahu at present. According to data on their wooden token the Area Coin Club was organized in 1970. The Kailua Koin Klub which was very active a few years ago is presently inactive. However they left several wooden tokens as mementos. This club had coin collectors from the Kaneohe Marine Corps Air Station and held their first two coin shows at the MCAS in 1974 and 1974 as noted on the large two inch diameter woods that were issued for the occasions. According to the dates on their woods the club was organized in 1971. They also issued woods in 1976 and 1977.

An interesting wood is one that says "Barber's Point Coin Club Annual Coin Show 4-16-72 Honolulu, Hawaii." I believe this was an organization primarily of military personnel stationed in Ewa at the Barbers (no apostrophe) Point Naval Air Station. This club made an unsuccessful move to Schofield Barracks and then became a

short-lived club called the Mililani-Central Oahu Coin Club. The M-COCC left no wood to show for their existence but I believe the minutes of the Hawaii State Numismatic Association contains some mention of this club.





MAUI COIN CLUB SHOW NATIONAL COIN WEEK

April 17-18 1982



HSNA MINI-SHOW
Susannnah Wesley Coummunity
Center
May 8, 1982



BIG ISLAND COIN SHOW

APRIL 1982 Pending
Hilo Lagoon Hotel Last Sunday of
Merry Monarch Week



HONOLULU COIN CLUB SHOW

August 1982 Pending
STATEHOOD DAY



AREA COIN CLUB SHOW

Date pending Sept. 1982 NCO Club, Hickam AFB



HSNA SHOW

HAWAII'S LARGEST COIN SHOW
QUEEN KAPIOLANI HOTEL





NOV 11-14 1982 And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus for he shall save his people from their sins.

MATTHEW 1:21

Peace on Karth!



Coin Club Meetings in the Hawaiian Islands

HONOLULU COIN CLUB

Meetings held: Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month

Where: Susannah Wesley Community Center on 1117 Kali Street

Time: 7:30 p.m. President: Gregory Hunt

MAUI COIN CLUB

Meetings held: Fourth Wednesdays of each month Where: Maui Electric Company at the corner of Kane and Kamehameha in Kahului

Time: 7:30 p.m. President: Dan Mcgovern

AREA COIN CLUB

Meetings held: First and third Wednesday of each month Where: Club Makai, Hickam Air Force Base Time: 7:30 p.m.

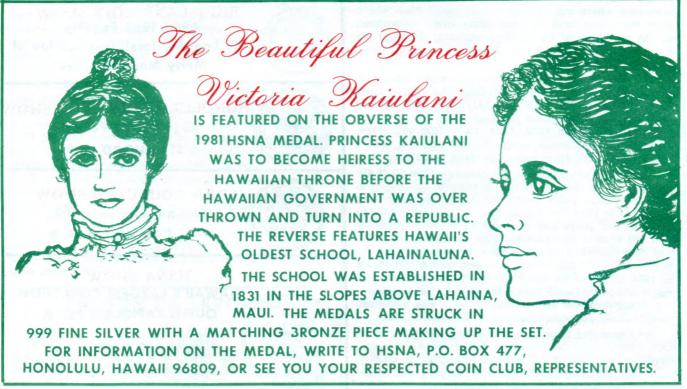
BIG ISLAND COIN CLUB

Meetings held: First Thursdays of each month Where: Pomikai, at the corner of Hualalai and Ululani

HAWAII STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

An election of officers was held on November 15, 1981 for Officers of the HSNA at the Queen Kapiolani Hotel, HSNA meeting. The officers elected are as follows:

Hawaiian Philatelic Society
Every 2nd Monday of the month at Ala
Moana Banquet Hall. Every 4th Monday
of the month is swap night at Kaimuki
Christian Church.





WHAT WOULD BE AN IDEAL NUMISMATIC GIFT FOR CHRISTMAS, IF I HAD \$20.00 TO SPEND?

HIS CHECKING IT TWICE!!

QUESTION ASKED TO SOME OF OUR COIN CLUB MEMBERS AND DEALERS.



GREGORY HUNT- President, Honolulu Coin Club

I would buy a 1981 proof set or a uncirculated mint set. I believe they are a good investment since this will be the last year the mint sets will be made and the Susan B. dollars will be only found in these set, since none are slated for general distribution.



CHERYL RIETFORS- Hawaiian Islands Stamp & Coin

I think a AU silver dollar in the 1880's which is a 100 years old or a proof set in the 1960's are still good buys for Christmas.



FELIX PADA- Numismatist

I believe on of the best investment and popular numismatic item is the Franklin frosted half dollar which still can be brought for about \$20.00.



JAMES KINOSHITA- Downtown Coin Gallery

The ideal numismatic Christmas gift would be a silver proof set from the 1960's.



FRANCIS LOO-Numismatist

The best answer would depend upon the age and interest of the recipient. However, since this information is not available, general recommendations would include: a) a nice abt. unc. Morgan silver dollar dated between 1878-1904 or b) a 1960 proof set. Both recommendations are based on the current low price of silver.



A CHANCE TO WIN A 1981 PROOF SET

The Hawaii State Numismatic Association and the Honolulu Coin Club is celebrating its first successful year of the Nu Hou Dala Paa newsletter. In doing so, we are having a drawing and a chance to win a 1981 United States Proof Set. The rules for the drawing is simple. Just fill in the drawing blank on this newsletter. Please print and mail to the Honolulu Coin Club, P. O. Box 6063, Honolulu, Hawaii 96818. The deadline for entry must be postmarked by December 31, 1981. One entry per person, please. The drawings will be held on January 13, 1982 at the Honolulu Coin Club meeting. Winner need not be present to win.

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